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Subject: I Oppose tg e Proposed Merger between OPA and OGA

I am a handicapped woman who has been supported by OPA many times. OPA has always advised me or directed me and made sure I got what I needed. If you combine OPA and OGA, I don't think I would get the same help because there would be too many people and their jobs are very different. The only way for me to have outside support is to keep the OPA available to advocate for my needs. Please think about this and give disabled people like me a chance to have our voices heard in CT — otherwise the clients will be the losers!

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